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- 1        5.        A network management system according to Claim 4, said  
2        responder units comprising HTTP (hypertext transfer protocol) servers.

1 6. A network management system according to Claim 5, said  
2 responder units comprising cgi-bin like programs.

1 7. A network management system according to Claim 6, wherein  
2 said responder units are configured to provide said configuration  
3 information to said auto-discovery unit in XML format.

1 8. A network management system according to Claim 2, wherein  
2 said graphical user interface comprises a Java applet.

1 9. A network management system according to Claim 2, wherein  
2 said graphical user interface comprises a dynamic HTML page.

1 ~~10.~~ A method for managing a network including a plurality of  
2 telephony device, comprising:  
3 automatically determining the presence of configurable  
4 components associated with said plurality of telephony devices;  
5 receiving configuration information from said plurality of  
6 telephony devices;  
7 automatically propagating said configuration information to  
8 others of said plurality of telephony devices at predetermined intervals;  
9 and  
10 displaying a map of said configurable components.

1 11. A method according to Claim 10, wherein said determining the  
2 presence of said configurable components comprises using  
3 ping.

1 12. A method according to Claim 10, wherein said receiving  
2 configuration information comprises receiving said configuration  
3 information in HTTP format.

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1 13. A method according to Claim 10, wherein said displaying a map  
2 comprises providing a graphical user interface for entering  
3 configuration information.

1 14. A method according to Claim 13, wherein providing said  
2 graphical user interface comprises providing an HTML page.

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